**Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society** 

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### The President's Pen

By David Adcock, KA4KKF

### October 2000

I hope everyone had a great time at the events this month, I did, Of course, I'm writing this before the events occurred. The first weekend in Oct. will be the EAA Fly-in at Briscoe Field. The following weekend will be the scouts at Lanierland if you want to help that group. The third weekend will be a Fall Fest at the Methodist Camp Grounds. We'll have hamburgers and hot dogs and do some operating and social-



izing and also provide support for JOTA.
JOTA is jamboree on the air for the scouts. If you haven't been to one of these, please come out and see how much fun you can have on a Saturday with a bunch of hams.

Time is getting short and my tenure

will be up. I've had a great time overall being the President. It's an experience everyone should have.
There were ups and downs but I've met a lot of hams and made a lot of new friends.
Think about how you can help the club come February.

Antenna work is going to be my priority when I get this deck finished. Hopefully that will be before cold weather. GARS is very active

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### GARS By-Laws

#### **D.** Duties of Officers

D.1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the GARS and conduct same according to the rules adopted, he shall enforce due observance of the charter and of these bylaws, decide all questions of order, sign all official documents that adopted by the GARS, be an ex officio member of all com-mittees, and perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of President.

D.2. The Vice President shall assume all the duties of the president in the

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### On the Page with Rick

I now have a new appreciation for those who put together newsletters. The job of editing is not hard, it is the job of reporting that is hard.



Once you have articles that can be put together, it is easy to edit the newsletter.

I see it like this. When I am packing for a trip, each member of the family brings to the car the items they are taking. Then I look at them all and put them in their place in the trunk and close the lid. The hard part comes when someone brings out that last minute, forgotten article, that is too large to fit in the small place remaining. I have to pull out half, if not all, of the items in the trunk and repack.

Newsletters are that way. When you have all the articles in hand, you can make them fit. If not, you have to hunt for a spot and often have to start over and repack the pages.

We want the *Garzette* to be informative and interesting. We want it to portray the spirit and attitude of the club. We can only do that when you, "the club", bring the articles and items you are interested in to the table where we can put them together.

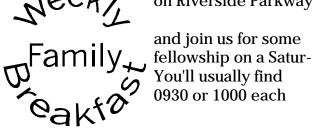
Susan Swiderski, AF4FO and Carol Gann, KG4ETR are working to help you get the articles to the editor. Help them as they report the news you want to hear by either writing articles or providing the information to them.

### Rick, KD4RFK

The **GARS** Weekly Family Breakfast meets each Satur-

day morning at **Corral Restaurant** in Lawrenceville.

Come by good food and day morning. folks there until weekend.



0800 at the Golden on Riverside Parkway

### The President's (Continued from page 1) Pen **Continued**

this year. We have breakfast on Saturday mornings at the Golden Coral. There is a lunch bunch every Thursday that meets at different places. Check the email list for the place every week or be on the re-

peater or 146.535. Hope to see you there.

We have dinner before every club meeting. There are operating events and demo's. If you have any suggestions get in touch with our new Activity Manager, AG4BF, Darren will be glad to hear from you. He has stepped forward to be the Activity manager till Feb. Mike, K4MJK is our new web master. I want thank these guys for stepping forward to help the club. Congratulate them the next time you hear them on the repeater.

We are still looking for a public relations guy to help keep the GARS logo in the news. Call if you fit the bill.

I'm cutting this month short to work on the deck so I'll see you on the air.

73,

David KA4KKF

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### **September Meeting Minutes**

Howie Gould W9HG

After introductions President Adcock asked for acceptance of the August meeting minutes from the club members present and gave a Treasurer report indicating that the club had an \$8064.00 balance.

The committee chairpersons were asked to report and the Membership Chairman Evans introduced 6 new members into the club which were nominated and approved by the members in the assembly.

Other committee chairpersons had nothing to report.

President Adcock reminded the assembly that the present officers were not seeking office for year 2001 and that the members should pick a nominating committee. At this point Mike, K4MJK, volunteered to be on the committee and was approved by President Adcock.

President Adcock noted that Mike, K4MJK, was now the new Web Master who received a good round of applause in acceptance by the assembly.

President Adcock asked the club members present for nominations for the officer position of Activities Manager to replace Ike Chapman who had resigned to take on another position with ARES.

Secretary Gould nominated Darren Pierce AG4BF and seconded by Mike Swiderski K4HBI.

Being no other nominations for this office, a vote was called by President Adcock and the votes carried unanimously by the members present.

Vice President Fowler made note that the club now had a property storage box that all club property could be stored in and was placed at Victor Gann, W4VEC's, residence and that all members who had club property should bring it to the next meeting so Rick Patchin, KD4RFK, who is the club Property Manager could start an inventory.

Vice President Fowler asked for volunteers to tow the club portable tower and asked that enough volunteers come forward so he could train them in the towing and storage of this portable tower.

Vice President Fowler informed the club members that the Christmas party would be held December 2 at the Central Baptist Church and that the club was providing all the meat and cold drinks and that the members should bring covered dishes.

No other business at this time.

President Adcock introduced the program to the assembly which was a program on a DXPEDITION to BHUTAN of which the programmer Wes Lamboley, W3WL, was a participant with 14 other operators from various countries who spent 10 days in BHUTAN which is located in the Himalayas.

Mr. Lamboley showed the assembly a slide show consisting of how the country of BHU-TAN accepted a first time amateur radio experience and how the people and customs played an important part of the group's stay in BHUTAN.

After the program Mr. Lamboley offered a raffle of personalized postage stamped envelopes. The assembly gave a good round of applause to Mr. Lamboley for his entertaining program.

Ike Chapman, K4WEC, raffled off prizes for those club members who provided help with the August Dog Show.

Darren, AG4BF, Activities Manager held a drawing for a Kenwood \$25.00 HRO certificate toward Kenwood goods only provided by Phil Parton regional sales rep. This was won by Dan, KF4YSU, and a drawing for the usual HRO

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\$25.00 certificate was won by Marty, KE4MLH.

President Adcock called for adjournment at 9:45 PM.

**Respectfully Submitted** 

**Howie Gould W9HG** Secretary

Sorry, we failed to give credit where it is due. The September issue of The Garzette had a photo of several who attended the Shelby Ham fest. Thanks should have been given to **Pickett** Cummings, AD4S for his sharing this photo with GARS.

**THANKS Pickett** 

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Ever had a radio question and did not know how to find the answer? Well, one of those question answering Hams is always out there, you just have to know how to find him.

Ever gone on the radio and listened for hours and not sent your - - . - for fear that the response would be faster that you could copy, and you would not be able to answer?

Ever gotten that new general and been afraid to break into a conversation, for fear that you would do or say something wrong?

Ever bought your first new rig, at least to you, and not known how to load the driver or peak a plate or even know what a driver and a plate were?

We have all been there and some of us are still there. Articles like *OSLing Made Easy* and *CW Mania* are intended to help us answer the questions we always wanted to ask, but were afraid to ask.

If you have a question, several of the "Old Timers", "Elmers" if you will, who are going to try to help. Ron Livingston, WE5O, will be writing this article in *The Garzette*. If you have any questions, email them to the editor Rick or Ron on egroup www.gars@egroups. **com.** Articles will appear in the newsletter as questions are received. Rick KD4RFK, Acting Editor

Welcome New Members KG4JIC David Rusnak

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### STAY CONNECTED!

- Call the nets
- Attend the Meetings
- Use the Email List
- Check the Website

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absence of the president and shall be an ex officio member of all committees.

- D.3. The Treasurer shall receive and receipt all moneys paid to the GARS; he shall keep an accurate account of all moneys received and expended; and he shall expend no club funds without prior authorization by the GARS or its officers constituting a business committee, except that:
- 1. Regularly recurring bills of the club shall be considered to be authorized expenditures, and
- 2. The club may, by majority vote in a regular business session, empower him to expend club funds up to a stated amount for an extraordinary purpose in furtherance of club business without prior authorization. He shall give a report at each meeting of the income and outgo of the club finds for the past month, and he shall give a financial status of the GARS at such intervals as the club may from time to time see fit. He shall at the expiration of his term turn over everything in his possession belonging to the GARS to his successor. D.4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members in conjunction with the Treasurer, carry out all correspondence, thank in writing all guest speakers and other such persons, firms, or organizations obligating to the GARS by their favors, read communications at the meetings, and shall at the end of his term turn over everything in his possession belonging to the GARS to his successor.
- D.5. The Activities Manager shall be in charge of official activities of the GARS and shall appoint such assistants as may be necessary to assist him in specific fields of activity. He shall cooperate with the ARRL Emergency Coordinator to the best of his ability and shall direct all GARS emergency activities.

### Want, Swap, Sell, and Information Net

The *GARS* Want, Swap, Sell and Information Net meets each Tuesday at 2000 local time on the *GARS* 2 meter repeater. The net features up-to-date information from club officers and committee chairman as well as providing time for general announcements and a swap shop. All licensed amateur radio operators are invited to participate.

As you know by now... the Lawrenceville hamfest is upon us! We (GARS) will have a booth, inside, and a flea market table outside. We need volunteers to work the booth and man the table... at least two people per shift. The ideal situation would be to have 2 people per shift and each shift to be only one hour so that your booth and flea market table duty tour will not interfere with your wandering around the ham fest, buying up all the "goodies" and attending the forums. If you work the flea market table, you can put a few small personal items for sale on the table. If you have anything to donate to the club for sale at the hamfest, and boost the club

coffers, let the undersigned know as soon as possible.

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The hamfest will be *November 4 (9 AM - 5 PM) and 5 (9 AM - 3 PM)*. The first shift is proposed to start at 8:30 AM both days for set-up and make ready. If you can work either the booth or the table, please let the following know:

Paul McInnish - **K4BET** 

Office Pho: 678-684-2001

E-MAIL: k4bet @bellsouth.net Home Pho: 770-237-2364

Thanks in advance and look forward to seeing you at the hamfest!

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## ARES Report

### By Ike Chapman, K4WEC

This marks my first column in the GARZETTE as the Emergency Coordinator for Gwinnett County. I've written for this newsletter in the past under many different hats for GARS over the past few years but by now you'll hear more from me on ARES activities than with GARS activities. I will continue to be a member of GARS and support *GARS* as much as possible but ARES will be my primary focus.



While GARS and ARES are two separate and distinct organizations I want to say how much the Gwinnett ARES appreciates the support we do receive from GARS. Our task to provide communications in times of emergencies and/or disaster relief would be much more difficult without the use of the GARS repeater system. Thanks again to the GARS officers and members for giving ARES access to this great communications system.

If we have your current email address in the ARES membership database, then you should have received an email invitation to join the Metro Atlanta ARES Intranet. Instead of creating a new email reflector for the ARES group, I decided to use the intranets.com site to set up a discussion area for our group. Then as I was talking with Jeff Harrison, KD4GPI, who is now the Metro Atlanta District Emergency Coordinator, we decided to expand the site to include all the ARES organizations in the eleven Metro Atlanta counties.

The site has discussion groups that you can participate in, one has been set up for each of the counties, so you can see what's going on in our group or in any of the other groups around the area. With the discussion areas, you won't get email from the site, instead you'll read and respond to the posts right there online. There's a calendar there with listings for the Metro Atlanta ARES nets and meetings. There's a file upload area that has some useful information already posted there. I hope that if you've already signed up that you check back in several times a week and will start to use some of the features there. If you haven't been invited to sign up yet, then it's most likely because I don't have your current email address in the membership database. If you'll send me an email message to <a href="kdwec@bellsouth.net">kdwec@bellsouth.net</a> I'll update the information in the database and send you an invitation to the Intranet site with the registration code that's required.

Speaking of email, I've asked during the past several ARES nets that all ARES members send me an email with their grid square, from the ADC 10<sup>th</sup> edition map book and their nearest fire station. I'm adding this information to the ARES membership database so that a report can be generated with this information and in times of emergencies we can match up people to an area near their residence. If you don't have one of the map books I really encourage you to get one and keep it with your ready bag.

I'm writing this article after having just returned home from our Simulated Emergency Test that was held on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The drill turned out to be quite a success. The scenario was that Hurricane Sandy, a category 2 hurricane, had come ashore on the coast near Savannah and had moved inland stalling out over Atlanta. The Red Cross had opened shelters because of evacuations from the coastal areas and local evacuations because of flooding. Not content with that, we also had a train derailment during the storm with a toxic chemical spill so that the Gwinnett County EMA has asked for assistance with some communications.

We had 16 people check into our net as available for dispatch with a total of 35 people checking in. As part of the exercise, a staging area was set up at Rhodes Jordan Park and from there amateur radio operators were sent to various locations to set up portable communications stations and communicate with each other and with the staging area on simplex frequencies. These sites included the Red Cross Center, the 911 Center, Central Gwinnett High School and Collins Hill High School.

I want to thank all those people who participated in the exercise. We thankfully haven't had to activate this year since the ice storm that hit us this past January so it was good to get out and practice setting up our emergency communications.

That's all for this month, please remember our monthly meetings on the second Tuesday night of the month at Gwinnett Medical Center in Lawrenceville and our weekly ARES net each Monday night at 9 PM on the GARS two meter repeater.

Ike Chapman, K4WEC

## QSLing Made Easy

### Susan Swiderski, AF4FO

So, you've passed the test and are now the proud owner of a brandnew license that allows you the wondrous privilege of communicating on the HF bands with other amateur radio operators all over the

world. Your box of freshly-made QSL cards has arrived in the mail, your shack is looking go-o-o-od with that new... to you, anyway...HF rig that you picked up at the last Hamfest (at a really UN-believable price, of course) and you're ready to start racking up the contacts. Well, good for you!!

To me, sending and receiving QSL cards is a real joy, and I'd like to pass along a few simple tips that just might make things a little bit easier for you.

Exchanging cards for stateside contacts is very simple. Addresses are readily available on the QRZ database, and most hams are more than happy to send you a card in return, especially if you're considerate enough to enclose a SASE. Some might even return your SASE to you unused and pay the postage themselves, but believe me, the gesture is always appreciated.

For DX contacts, being a member of the ARRL is a definite plus. Of course, if you're one of those independently wealthy types, footing the bills for the cost of direct mailing might not be a big deal, but if you're like most of us, having the privilege of sending out cards via the bureau is a whole lot easier... and a whole lot cheaper.

To send a pile of cards out via the bureau, write the recipient's call sign on the back of each card in the upper right hand corner, and then arrange all of the cards in order, according to the first character. Slap a rubber band around them and attach either a label from one of your QST magazines, or a piece of paper containing the information from your label. (This serves as proof of your membership in the ARRL.)

Now, you can either do this next step the hard way, or the really, really easy way. You can enclose payment in the form of check or money order at a rate of \$6 per pound, which works out to \$1 for up to 10 cards, \$2 for 11-20 cards, \$3 for 21-30 cards, etc. and then package it all up, addressing it to ARRL Outgoing Bureau, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT. 06111. Now you can traipse off to the local post office, where you might expect to stand in line until you grow cobwebs while waiting to send your package off on its merry way. OR.... You can bring your cards and proof of ARRL membership to the next GARS meeting and hand them off to Ade Wirth, W4ADE, our very own QSL manager, and he'll take it from there.

Now, there are some countries that aren't served by the bureau. If you're lucky, the person you've spoken to in one of these countries has a QSL manager, maybe even one who is stateside. If you direct mail to a manager, be sure to include a SASE for stateside managers and a self-addressed envelope and a dollar bill or two or three to cover the return postage for overseas managers. And please, take a moment to send a personal note of thanks to the QSL managers... they do such a great service for the amateur radio community. It's awfully nice to take a minute to express a word or two of appreciation to them. If the person you speak to doesn't have a manager, then you'll have to go the direct mailing route. This requires the same thing as an overseas manager... a self-addressed envelope and money to cover postage. Also, be advised that not all cards... or money... ever reach their intended destination. However, to me, even if every card you send out via direct mail doesn't yield a card in return, it's more than worth it to try. Getting those cards in the mail with the beautiful foreign stamps and a personal message is a great experience.

To claim your incoming cards, send several (I'm optimistic: I always send about six at a time) 5" x 7 1/2" or 6" x 9" SASEs to your particular bureau with your call sign clearly marked in the upper left hand corner. Since most of you have 4-lander call signs, I'll just give that information. If you have a single letter prefix, like K4HBI, your incoming bureau is Mecklenberg Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box DX, Charlotte, NC, 28228, and if you have a two letter prefix, like me, you are assigned to Sterling Park ARC, Call Box 599, Sterling, VA, 20167.

For those of you with other than a 4 in your call sign, if you aren't sure about your incoming bureau, see Ade or me for that information. We can also let you know which countries are not served by the bureau. Ade said he'll be bringing some paperwork to club meetings that will probably answer most of your questions.

So, there you have it. It's that simple. So, get your QSL cards all ready, and bring them to Ade at each club meeting, so we can keep him re-e-al busy. Y'know, this is quite a service he is providing for us at GARS, so be sure to tell him thanks.

Happy QSLing!! Susan AF4FO

#### By Bill Carter, KG4FXG

Everyone who knows me realizes that I am crazy about CW. I have had many great qso's on the air then I stumbled on KI8DU's website. His website listed many CW nets. WOW! A CW net, what is this I asked? I listened to the CSN (Carolina Slow Net) and the VSN (Virginia Slow Net). Is this cool or what?

These nets and others only run at 5 to 8 words per minute so it is very easy to listen and write down what is sent. Almost like that wonderful code test, Hi Hi. Really, there are many slow nets and the speed is great for a beginner to copy just as is W1AW and there are nets at all times during the day.

I listened to the CSN net and could not believe my ears. What is this? (CSN CSN W4EAT Carolina Slow Net meets daily all are Welcome CSN...) After a brief preamble I heard a call for South Carolina Rep and then a little later the wonderful sound (CSN QNI K) this is a call for any station to check-in.

I listened and copied 100 percent of what was sent. Remember that a net like this only lasts for about 20 minutes if there is no traffic. I heard a station check-in and then I heard him excused from the net a few minutes later. I listened to this net daily and copied everything down and looked at my charts to decipher the Q-code.



Some nights I would pretend that I was a certain station and write down ahead of time what I would send to check-in and what I would send to check out. Usually the same stations check in to these nets over and over again.

The stations checking in sent something like this... (de KG4FXG ge Carl qru k) Basically, this says, "This is KG4FXG good evening Carl no traffic and k or go ahead." That's it to checking in.

A few minutes later the net control station will ask you to qnx which means to checkout because you are excused from the net. He will send something like this... (nw qnx KG4FXG 73 K) I would then send the following... (tu Carl 73 de KG4FXG ar sk e e). The translation is, "Thank you Carl, 73 this is KG4FXG end of message, clear." Some nets just use K at the end, more simply stated, just copy what someone else sent but

use your call sign. I had it written down in advance.

The big day is now here. I listened and said to myself I am going to check-in. Hey, it is only two small sentences that I am going to send which is the best qso for a beginner nice and short. I was a bit fearful, hand shaking, nerves on end from that second pot of coffee, and here comes the net. I copied down the beginning preamble and heard several stations check-in. The net control sends CSN CSN de W4eat qni K. When you hear qni K that is your cue to check-in.

Ready to go I sent the prefix of the first letter in my suffix the letter "F". Nothing happened. I didn't have the break-in turned on so I was keying and not transmitting. Then I heard CSN QNF de W4EAT SK. What! QNF, this means net is free or over and finished and I missed it. Oh, no, it's like the Great Pumpkin, another Halloween and I missed it. What a blockhead, I copied everything perfectly and I missed check-in. It was like Field Day had come and gone and I missed it.

I did successfully check-in to the net the next night and I received a wonderful welcome from the net control station. I guess they don't have many new stations checking in like the 2 meter nets. I received e-mail welcoming me to the net and some links and information that would help me understand the net better. These nets meet to pass traffic and in my next article I will write something about the radiograms that these nets use to pass traffic. The slow nets are training nets, it is perfectly acceptable to make mistakes. I have made many and learned so much!

Oh, please see Roger's Net Schedule for a list of the CW nets. http://www.qsl.net/ki8du/netsked.htm You can find out more about CW nets in the ARRL Net Directory and the ARRL website explains the NTS (National Traffic System).

### 73 Bill KG4FXG

### Metro Atlanta Club Meetings

### First Tuesday

### Metro Atlanta Telephone Pioneers

Old Hickory House 5490 Chamblee/Dunwoody Rd, Dunwoody Dutch dinner is at 6:30 PM, followed by meeting. Talk In 145.410(-)

#### Kennehoochee ARC

First United Methodist Church in Marietta Meeting begins at 7:30 PM Talk In 146.880(-)

### First Thursday Atlanta Radio Club

American Red Cross Building, Lindberg Plaza Meeting is at 7:30 PM Talk In -146.820(-)

#### N.E. Georgia ARC

Jefferson Civic Center
Off of Memorial Dr. toward Winder from
Jefferson
Meeting is at 6:30 PM
Talk In - 147.225(+)

### North Fulton Amateur Radio League

Shoney's Restaurant Holcomb Bridge Road at grimes Bridge Road Dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM Talk In - 145.47(-)

### <u>Second Thursday</u> Alford Memorial Radio Club

Killian Hall, Killian Hill Road Lilburn Dinner at 6:00 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM Talk In - 146.760(-)

### Second Saturday East Atlanta LAN

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Dunwoody Meeting is at 10:00 AM Talk In - 145.410(-) and 443.025(+)

### Third THURSDAY



#### Amateur Ra-

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Central Baptist Church Gwinnett Drive Lawrenceville Meeting begins at 7:30 PM in the fellowship hall. Talk In -147.075(+) and 444.525(+)

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### Metro Atlanta VE Exam Schedule

**GARS** publishes Metro Atlanta area VE exam schedules as a service and is not responsible for errors or changes. Call and confirm schedules before going. All sessions are walk-in. Take copies of current license and certificate of completed elements with you to all sessions.

### First Sunday

WCARS VEC 2:00 PM

(Except July and September) Johnson High School 3305 Poplar Springs RD, Gainsville Terry Jones, W4TL (770)967-6364

### First Saturday

9:00AM

Clayton County Emergency Management Building 7496 N. McDonough St., Jonesboro George White, KN4NG (770)361-6850

### Second Tuesday

7:00PM Walton EMC 3645 Lenora Church Rd, Snellville Wayne Taylor, WD4CCA (770)498-7759

### Second Saturday

CA VEC 8:30 AM

Stone Mountain Methodist Church 5312 West Mountain St. Stone Mountain Hal Martin, KI4RD (770)978-9160

### Third Saturday

CA VEC 9:00AM

Marietta First United Methodist Church Room 305, 56 Whitlock Ave Marietta Larry Huff, WA4CQZ (770)955-3171

### Fourth Tuesday

ARRL VEC
7:00 PM
United Way Service Center
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Jessie Clower, KB4WFK
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82.5 PL Tone
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Oak Street, Lawrenceville
Backup Repeater Site
Lanier Mountain, Snellville
Remote Receive Sites
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Lanier Mountain, Snellville

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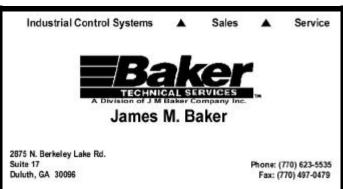
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### **Upcoming Events**

Committee Chairs:

Let's fill this feature with dates and events to keep GARS members looking ahead!



### October 2000

**19th** GARS Meeting Program, David Adcock, Club President, KA4KKF

### Fall Radio Festival

**21st** Fall Radio Festival, Methodist Campground, Highway 124 in Lawrenceville

#### **COMBINING**

The Boy Scout Jamboree On The Air (**JOTA**) and the club picnic.

### November 2000

4th-5th HAMFEST 2000

Gwinnett County Fair Grounds, Lawrenceville 6th Executive Committee 16th GARS Meeting

### December 2000 2nd GARS Christmas

Party, Central Baptist Church, Lawrenceville 4th Executive Committee

January 2001 8th Executive committee 18th GARS Club Meeting Meeting Time & Location 3rd Thursday, 7:30 PM

Central Baptist Church, Gwinnett Drive, Lawrenceville

Talk in 147.075(+) MHz 82.5 PL Tone

### **Editor Needed**

Rick, KD4RFK is acting editor, we need a permanent editor. Interested in the job, contact GARS President, David Adcock, **KA4KKF**.